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2001 ANNUAL AIRSPACE REPORT

The Division of Right of Way's Airspace and Telecommunications Licensing Program is pleased to report Fiscal Year (FY) 2000-01 income of \$20.6 million. This represents an increase in income of almost 22 percent over FY 1999-00. Statewide expenses associated with the Program were \$1.5 million versus last FY expenses of \$1.7 million, a decrease of almost 9 percent. The expense-to-gross-income ratio, one of the key performance measures of the Program, was 7.4 percent compared to 9.9 percent of the previous year. Attached is a chart depicting the Program's income and expenses for the last seven years.

The rise in revenue generally reflects the vibrant economic conditions of California during the last fiscal year. Real estate values were rising and are reflected in the increased lease rates of the airspace sites. Airspace revenue was \$18.3 million. The Telecommunications Licensing component generated revenues of \$2.4 million, a significant increase over last year, as the Department of Transportation (Department) continues to approve installation of wireless sites within highway right-of-way.

At the end of the fiscal year there were 558 occupied airspace sites throughout the State. Of the 558 sites, 101 are wireless sites. Possessory interest taxes, paid by airspace tenants to the local cities and counties, totaled approximately \$4.9 million. Where the Department utilized airspace sites for maintenance stations and equipment yards, substantial savings were realized.

Once again, the Department acknowledges the efforts, interest, and expertise provided by the Airspace Advisory Committee (AAC) and looks forward to a continued mutually beneficial working relationship.

AIRSPACE STATEWIDE-INCOME/EXPENSES

June 30, 2001

	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01
North Region							
Airspace Income	\$1,244,520	\$1,070,056	\$1,290,013	\$1,295,303	\$1,676,252	\$1,438,285	\$1,373,823
Wireless Income				\$0	\$0	\$18,030	\$47,366
Expenses	\$93,542	\$145,799	\$94,466	\$98,097	\$104,811	\$119,707	\$143,751
Net	\$1,150,978	\$924,257	\$1,195,547	\$1,197,206	\$1,571,441	\$1,318,578	\$1,277,438
District 4							
Airspace Income	\$6,339,970	\$6,989,579	\$7,007,878	\$7,499,263	\$11,095,323	\$10,005,158	\$11,816,109
Wireless Income				\$373,681	\$751,603	\$528,265	\$1,754,022
Expenses	\$319,931	\$445,391	\$450,156	\$459,824	\$483,344	\$527,903	\$447,786
Net	\$6,020,039	\$6,544,188	\$6,557,722	\$7,039,439	\$11,363,582	\$9,477,255	\$13,122,345
Central Region							
Airspace Income	\$144,115	\$146,681	\$150,362	\$154,383	\$191,313	\$136,196	\$105,687
Wireless Income				\$0	\$0	\$81,865	\$49,517
Expenses	\$16,806	\$21,795	\$30,909	\$43,851	\$56,571	\$35,934	\$50,503
Net	\$127,309	\$124,886	\$181,271	\$110,532	\$134,742	\$100,262	\$104,701
Southern Region							
Airspace Income	\$2,874,430	\$3,093,264	\$2,760,694	\$3,006,845	\$3,797,527	\$3,214,911	\$3,698,033
Wireless Income				\$17,500	\$165,797	\$422,184	\$442,547
Expenses	\$512,105	\$550,625	\$427,732	\$400,949	\$452,683	\$432,641	\$385,858
Net	\$2,362,325	\$2,542,639	\$2,332,962	\$2,605,896	\$3,510,641	\$2,782,270	\$3,754,722
District 11							
Airspace Income	\$1,336,205	\$1,075,548	\$890,340	\$982,563	\$1,263,188	\$1,005,290	\$1,213,536
Wireless Income				\$62,509	\$38,568	\$62,558	\$84,633
Expenses	\$299,635	\$255,009	\$108,701	\$84,302	\$121,780	\$216,189	\$211,869
Net	\$1,036,570	\$820,539	\$781,639	\$898,261	\$1,179,976	\$789,101	\$1,086,300
Statewide							
Airspace Income	\$11,939,240	\$12,375,128	\$12,099,287	\$12,938,357	\$18,023,603	\$15,799,840	\$18,207,188
Wireless Income				\$453,690	\$955,968	\$1,112,902	\$2,378,085
Expenses**	\$1,558,995	\$1,611,255	\$1,286,571	\$1,373,341	\$1,597,410	\$1,680,241	\$1,526,151
Net	\$10,380,245	\$10,763,873	\$10,812,716	\$11,565,016	\$16,426,193	\$15,232,501	\$19,059,122

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**Statewide expenses include HQ overhead for airspace activities.